Mountain Weather Forecast

Snowdonia National Park

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Wednesday 25 May 2022 until 23:59 on Thursday 26 May 2022

Forecast Issued on Tuesday 24 May 2022 at 17:10

Confidence: High confidence for dry bright skies on Tuesday evening and of grey skies, low cloud, hill fog and a brisk breeze on Wednesday and Thursday. Low confidence of timings of cloud and rain on Wednesday and Thursday. Conditions on Thursday are particularly uncertain. Given the lead time there is fairly high confidence of dry bright weather on Friday and Saturday.

Headline for Wednesday 25 May 2022: Low cloud, rain and strong winds in the morning. Brightening up later.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 25 May 2022

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Medium Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Cloudy	Heavy Rain	Light rain	Light rain showers	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
20%	60%	>95%	>95%	>95%	30%	10%	<05%

Forecast for Wednesday 25 May 2022

Weather: Low cloud and strong winds will move over Snowdonia from 02:00, with accompanying hill fog and drizzle. Rain will arrive from around 07:00 with some heavy spells over the next three or four hours. The rain will then gradually ease, becoming light and drizzly, but low cloud, strong winds and hill fog are likely to persist until around 13:00. The weather will be much improved after that, but it will stay breezy and the odd light shower remains possible. The evening will be bright with much less cloud but a little rain or drizzle is possible.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: Between 00:00 and 13:00. 10% with thick low cloud covering the hills down to 200m above sea level. Between 13:00 and midnight. 80% with the odd shower cloud obscuring the highest peaks.

Low Cloud and visibility: Between midnight and 13:00: Thick hill fog is likely on any hills above 200m above sea level. Although patchy, visibility is likely to be below 50m at times. In the valleys, it will be misty with rain and drizzle so visibility is likely to drop to 4000m at times. After 13:00 Good visibility is expected at all levels, with fine views of surrounding hills.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	25/30 SW	30/37 SW	34/44 SW	34/44 SW	30/41 W	29/39 W	27/35 W	28/35 W	27/35 W
600	15/21 SW	19/26 SW	24/33 SW	25/34 SW	23/33 W	22/32 W	19/28 W	17/24 W	17/25 W
300	9/19 SW	11/22 SW	16/30 SW	17/31 SW	17/30 W	16/28 W	13/23 W	10/21 W	10/22 W
Valley	10/19 SW	11/21 SW	16/29 SW	17/31 SW	17/31 W	16/29 W	14/25 W	11/22 W	11/23 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	5/-0	4/-2	6/-1	7/1	7/1	7/2	7/2	6/1	5/-1
600	8/4	7/3	8/3	8/4	9/5	10/6	10/6	8/5	7/3
300	10/8	9/7	9/6	10/7	12/9	13/10	12/10	10/8	9/7
Valley	11/9	11/8	10/8	12/9	14/10	14/11	14/11	12/10	11/9
Freezing Level*	1600m	1600m	1900m	2000m	1700m	1800m	1700m	1600m	2000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Wind speeds and temperatures in these tables look realistic, just reaching gale force on the summits. Heavy showers on Tuesday and added rain on Wednesday mean that it may be quite wet underfoot, with large puddles and bogs, and fast moving streams.

Forecast for Thursday 26 May 2022

Weather: Low cloud and strong winds will again move over Snowdonia soon after midnight, with accompanying hill fog and drizzle. These may well persist all through the day, not clearing until late afternoon. Rain is likely at times during the day, perhaps heavy for a while in the morning.

Maximum wind: Mean wind speeds of 30 mph and gusts of up to 45mph on the summits any time during the day.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: Between 00:00 and18:00. 10% with thick low cloud covering the hills down to 200m above sea level. Between 18:00 and midnight. 80%.

Low Cloud and visibility: Between midnight and 18:00: Thick hill fog is likely on any hills above 200m above sea level. Although fog will be patchy, visibility is likely to be below 50m at times. In the valleys, it will be misty with rain and drizzle so visibility is likely to drop to 4000m at times.

Temperature: **Valleys:** 10 C at dawn, rising to 15 C in the afternoon.
At 800m: 4C at dawn, rising to 7C in the afternoon.
Freezing level: Well above summits.

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